

Librarians & Archivists with Palestine (LAP) Gaza 2023 Action Toolkit

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Host a Reading Group at Your Library for our "One Book, Many Communities Campaign

In April and May 2024, we read *Things You May Find Hidden in My Ear: Poems from Gaza* by Mosab Abu Toha. Read more about the campaign here. Learn about hosting a reading group here, and find templates for outreach materials here.

In previous years, we developed reading guides and resources for hosting book groups on the following titles:

Minor Detail by Adania Shibli: A Palestinian woman is determined to know more about a young Bedouin girl raped and killed by Israeli soldiers in 1949.

<u>The Book of Disappearance</u> by <u>Ibtisam Azem</u>: Set in modern-day Jaffa, the story follows a Palestinian citizen of Israel and his friend, a Jewish Israeli, when a mass disappearance unfolds.

<u>Code Name: Butterfly by Ahlam Bsharat</u>: This coming-of-age novel portrays life under occupation from the perspective of a 14-year-old girl

<u>"Returning to Haifa" by Ghassan Kanafani</u>: Tells the story of a couple that was forced to flee Haifa in 1948 and is returning for the first time in 20 years.

<u>Sharon and My Mother-in-Law by Suad Amiry</u>: Written with humor and insight about the realities of life under occupation.

<u>Mornings in Jenin by Susan Abulhawa</u>: A sweeping, heart-wrenching historical saga about four generations of the Abulheja family.

Organize a Reading Group with Your Colleagues

Learn more about information access, libraries, and archives in Palestine. Suggested readings on <u>libraries can be found here</u> (bottom of the page) and <u>readings on archives can be found here</u>.

Read and Distribute our Zines

We have many zines on libraries, archives, and information access in Palestine (as well as summarizing our 2013 and 2015 delegations). They are available for <u>reading and distribution</u> here.

Display Our Exhibit on Information Access in Palestine

In 2014, members of Librarians & Archivists with Palestine worked with the art book house Booklyn to create a box set of art objects made upon our return from the 2013 delegation. This box set was designed as a way to document the Palestine trip and share some of what we learned, as well as to include publications and other material rarely seen outside of Palestine. The box set, which is a ready-to-be-installed exhibition, includes posters, photographs, and zines. Learn more about the box set here and how to borrow a copy. Boxsets are no longer available to purchase.

Read Palestinian Poetry in Public

In August 2014, during Israeli attacks on Gaza that killed over 2,000 people, members of Librarians & Archivists with Palestine rode the subways of NYC, reading excerpts of Palestinian literature and poetry aloud as we traveled. We also passed out double-sided bookmarks containing bits of a poem by Taha Muhammad Ali and URLs with additional information.

<u>Download the bookmarks and poetry selections here</u> (bottom of page) and stage your own poetry protest!

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